

March 16, 2009

Re: 2009 Congressional Art Competition

Dear Second District Students,

I wish to invite all high school students living in the 2nd District of Kansas to participate in the 2009 Annual Congressional Art Competition entitled, *An Artistic Discovery*. This unique competition allows members of the United States House of Representatives an opportunity to showcase the artistic talents of high school students within their districts.

We have countless talented young artists in the 2nd District of Kansas and I am excited to see what masterpieces can be created! The winning entry will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol building in Washington, DC for one year. Members of Congress, dignitaries and visitors from all across the country and world will be able to view the winning works of art, one from every congressional district in the United States.

The deadline for submitting artwork and entry forms is **5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009**. The art must be received at my congressional office at 3550 SW 5th St. Topeka, Kansas 66606. The student release form must be attached to the back of the artwork. In addition, the winning entry will be recognized at a reception on Sunday, May 3, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Ave., Topeka, Kansas 66604. All students, parents and teachers are welcome to attend this reception as I announce the 2009 winner.

Enclosed is a copy of the Congressional Art Competition guidelines and the student release form. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Underwood at (785) 234-5966 or melissa.underwood@mail.house.gov.

I look forward to celebrating the impressive creations of our talented young artists!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Jenkins".

Lynn Jenkins, CPA
U.S. Congresswoman